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Candlelight Vigil for Valley Grocer

Flowers and notes were left at the locked door of the KC Market.

More than 100 Visitacion Valley neighbors and Mayor Willie Brown attended a candlelight Vigil Apr 6 in memory of Sugi Kim, co-owner of the KC Market at 400 Wilde St. who was shot to death by a masked robber three days earlier after complying with his demands for money and liquor

Both Kim and her husband had just opened the store just after 9 a.m. on Apr. 3 when the gunman entered and accosted the couple before fleeing the scene in a vehicle driven by another person.

Residents in the neighborhood fondly recalled the cordial and helpful nature of both Kim and husband Yong Bong, who had opened the store just months earlier to replace the Fijiana Market. Many messages and flowers were left by grieving neighbors at the store.

S F Board of Supervisors adjourned their Apr. 6 meeting in memory of the slain grocer

New Foundation Concentrates on Christian Education

A new Visitacion Valley organization geared towards Christian education held its first meeting Mar. 28 at which time it drafted its constitution and elected officers.

Following a basic life principle that humankind helps itself to exist, develop, and survive, the *Foundation for Christian Education* will operate along Biblical truths that birds and other wild animals obtain their food and water from a gracious and loving God, and that even the lilies on the open fields are not forgotten but endowed with beautiful flowers by the Heavenly Father

Having been licensed since Jan. 9, 1997 to do the business of helping spread the word of God, the nonprofit organization was founded by local journalist Gerry L. Galvan as a conduit for ideas inspired by the Scriptures Collectively, the Foundation will include Jesus Christ's Great Commission to His disciples as one Biblical truth which the Foundation aims to translate into a productive working assignment.

Elected chairperson and president was founder Gerry L. Galvan, with son Leonard R. Galvan as vice chairperson and vice president, and both Araceli N. Resus and Raquel Esplana as secretaries. A regular meeting has already been scheduled for March 27, 2000, with two special meetings to be scheduled this year to discuss critical issues.

Receiving financial support from professional and private donors, the local group seeks to extend its support to fledgling congregations in various parts of the world, including Sydney, Australia, Davao province in the Philippines, and Beijing, China. Plans include assisting secluded missions in the acquisition of influential books and magazines as they climb mountain tops and penetrate thick forests.

"God works in a most loving way," explained one Foundation member of the organization's principles. "Blessings come to those who call on and serve Him."

Home Depot Plans Valley Location

Home Depot presented its plans to the Visitacion Valley Task Force on Mar 27 for a newly-constructed 107,000 square-foot store--its first in San Francisco--to be built on the present site of Schlage Lock

With a new facility having replaced an adjacent location a few years ago several miles west in Colma, interest in the new 10 28 acre site at Bayshore Boulevard and Leland Avenue was announced late in February prior to filing a site plan with the City.

A planned opening of the new Visitacion Valley location is scheduled for late 2000. Home Depot said it would employ more than 250 workers for the new facility, most of whom would be hired from the immediate vicinity.

DA Announces Crack Down On Unscrupulous Travel Agents

San Francisco District Attorney Terence Hallinan and California Attorney General Bill Lockyer on Mar. 17 announced the arrest of a San Francisco travel agent for violations of the California Seller of Travel Law. Two other travel agents are being sought in separate cases under arrest warrants issued by the San Francisco Superior Court for misdemeanor violations that include failure to register as a travel agent

Charged with four felony and three misdemeanor violations was Flor de Maria Rivas, also known as Florence Rivas, operator of All Group Travel and Tours. While advertising "affordable fares world wide," the company allegedly failed to deliver on purchased airline tickets and other travel arrangements. Customers ranged from honeymooners to a man seeking to visit his sick mother in Egypt.

According to District Attorney Hallinan, "These customers paid in full for tickets they never got and were left with the nightmare of trying to find alterative travel at the last minute."

Attorney General Lockyer said, "State law requires travel agents to register and maintain a client trust fund to protect customers making travel purchases. By going after unscrupulous travel agents, we protect California travelers who should get the airline tickets and cruise vacations they paid for and timely refunds if travel plans change."

State law requires all sellers of travel to register as travel agents with the Attorney General's Office Travel agents are required to place all passenger payments into a client trust account until tickets are actually purchased from airlines or cruise companies. Travel agents also must deliver travel tickets to clients with 72 hours of payment in full.

Numerous complaints about Rivas and All Group Travel and Tours were received by the Attorney General's office. These complaints were relayed to the San Francisco District Attorney's office for formal investigation that led to the arrest of Rivas.

The following are other cases in which the Attorney General's Office has taken action against travel agents:

*Suchitra Francis of Wings & Wheels International Travel of Berkeley was fined $2,000 for failure to deposit certain client funds into the designated trust account and failing to make disclosures required by law to customers prior to receiving money for travel purchases.

*China Focus Travel, Inc., Shangdong Tourism Bureau and Yan Tao Li in San Francisco were fined $2,000 and assessed late registration fees for allowing their seller of travel registration to lapse

*Ronali Ann de Silva and her company, Sunshine Tours & Vacations in Glendale, were fined $6,000 for false advertising and offering sales incentives without required consumer disclosures. The defendant was ordered to make restitution to customers for unpaid refunds and undelivered trips

*Consolidated Travel Group of Florida and its president Madeline Valdes were fined $8,000 for violations involving the sale of travel certificates commonly used as incentives in timeshare property marketing Customers seeking to use travel certificates for a cruise were improperly charged "activation" and other fees The defendant has agreed to reform its marketing procedures and charge the way the certificates are activated, and refund deposits and fees to California customers.

*Frank Abedi of Student Summer Abroad Program, who as an unregistered seller of travel falsely promised to high school students tours of two to six weeks in Europe, Africa or Australia The tours were offered via the Internet to students who sent in fees of $50 to $100 with an autobiographical essay The defendant has agreed to cease further operations and shut down the web sites which were known to state law enforcement.

*Barbara Mowen of Travel Network in Mira Mesa was fined $1,500 and assessed late registration fees for failure to maintain a current registration as a seller of travel

*Big "Tuna Bill" Ghiselin of Try Baja in San Diego for allegedly defrauding consumers and failing to register as a seller of travel. A stipulated judgement imposes penalties of $10,000 and requires the defendant to pay restitution as part of a final judgement.

*Dion Fradejas of Kreative Travel in Roland Heights of Los Angeles County was fined $1,000 for operating as an unregistered seller of travel

*Ron E. Tindage of Indotravel, Inc. in West Covina was fined $12,500 for operating as an unregistered seller of travel.

*Ed Garcia of Azteca Travel in Norwalk for failure to register as a seller of travel. A $5,000 fine is pending.

*Weimin Yu of Wisdon International Trade Corp. for failure to register as a seller of travel. A$7,500 fine was ordered in the case.

New Ground Breaking for Senior Housing

by Gerry L. Galvan

After several postponements in the last few years, ground breaking for the new John King Senior Housing (JKSH) on Raymond Avenue has again been scheduled for July 11, 1999.

Early Years Academy which now occupies the housing site adjacent to Visitacion Valley Middle School at the north end of Sawyer Street will relocate to another location in the Valley.

The announcement was made public during a recent John King Senior Center (JKSC) board meeting where Program Director John King, Jr. shared information of the Redevelopment Board's commitment to release $3,000,000 JKSC had applied for a few months earlier.

Applications for JKSH unit occupancy will be made available at JKSC at 590 Leland Ave

Legal Effort Initiated to Protect Property Owners' Rights

A collective consisting several San Francisco associations and individual plaintiffs filed a lawsuit Mar. 16 against City laws they claim deprive San Franciscans of their fundamental right for both themselves and their family members to live in residential property they own. Groups filing the complaint include: the Greater San Francisco Association of Realtors, the S.F Apartment Association, the Coalition for Better Housing.

"We want the American Dream to be achievable in San Francisco," said Curt Cournale, president of the Greater San Francisco Association of Realtors. "The basic notion that people can work hard and eventually own and live in their own residential property is not a reality here. The reality in San Francisco is that you're either prohibited by the government or forced to ask permission from the government to call your residential property your home."

According to the more than 4,500 San Francisco citizens represented by the plaintiff associations, Proposition G and the new conditional use permit planning code amendment amount to an unprecedented assault on San Franciscan's constitutional right to life, liberty and property ownership. Both measures are targeted as illegal government interference with citizens' fundamental rights. Each law, through different restrictions, prevents property owners from moving into units they own.

Defendants named in the lawsuit are the City and County of San Francisco, the Board of Supervisors, the San Francisco Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board and the San Francisco Planning Commission.

One of the individual plaintiffs, Keli Cwynar of San Francisco, is prevented from moving into a three-unit building she co-owns in San Francisco.

"My rights as a homeowner are being violated," said Cwyner. "I'm a homeowner who's still a tenant because of these laws, and the emotional and financial hardships are severe. Today, I'm paying my rent, the mortgage on the residential property where I had intended to live and attorney's fees. The bottom line is that I had expected to live in the home I bought, but today I'm still a renter."

"We want to work with City officials to craft real solutions to the housing crunch," said Charlene Delaney, Chair of the Association's governmental relations committee. "Right now we're dealing with an absurd regulatory situation. Everyone knows we've got a shortage of affordable housing in San Francisco, but we should be looking at solutions, not prohibitions. Solutions must address, for example, the housing needs of the elderly and severely disabled and illegal practices of slum landlords, but they absolutely should not punish aspiring homeowners."

Over the past two decades, San Franciscans have seen increasing limitations on property ownership rights Most recently, Proposition G severely restricted tenancies in common--a primary means by which today's lower and middle income renters purchase homes. The new planning code amendment, which was passed by the Board of Supervisors last month, requires owners to obtain a conditional use permit before moving into their building. Under this scenario, the Planning Commission must consider whether the move will adversely affect San Francisco rental stock before issuing a permit. Because such a move would reduce the rental stock, the law essentially directs the Planning Commission not to issue permits.

"We're taking action against unprecedented legal barriers that preclude property owners from living in their own buildings," said Curt Courmale. "These policies are illegally thwarting the reality of home ownership in San Francisco "

Community Lectures On Health Issues

St. Luke's Hospital is sponsoring the following *free* community lectures on Saturdays at 3555 Cesar Chavez St. Call (415) 641-6465 to register for each class.

**Nose Woes/Allergies* from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Apr. 17.

**Getting Ready for Surgery* from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Apr. 24.

**Skin Care for the Future* from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon on May 1.

All Wrapped Up in Poetry

April is National Poetry Month and California Poets in the Schools (CPITS) will be celebrating all over San Francisco, Marin County and the East Bay by hosting their first annual (W)rap the Bay. Activities will take place on Tuesday, Apr. 27 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Elementary school children who have been working with CPITS poets will showcase their thoughts and images by physically wrapping their poems around prominent Bay Area persons, places and things, while demonstrating how poetry enters all aspects of life.

San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Tom Ammiano, for example, will get wrapped with poetry created by students from Buena Vista Elementary School, while the buffalo paddock in Golden Gate Park will be wrapped with poetry created by students from Lafayette Elementary School. Children will share the thoughts and images of things that are important to them. These poems will be translated onto paper, fabric or any suitable material. Then, the person, place or object will be wrapped. Further information is available by calling 551-7750.

Student is wrapped in poetry

GRAPEVINE MAILBOX

Proposed Change of Muni's 56 Rutland Line

Dear Muni Rider and Neighborhood Resident

I am writing to describe a proposed change in Muni line 56-Rutland to curtail service to Mansell and extend service to Visitacion Valley Middle School. This proposal will be discussed at two public meetings:

*Monday, April 19, 7 p.m. at Schlage Lock Auditorium, 2401 Bayshore Blvd.

*Tuesday, April 27, 7 p.m. at Visitacion Valley Community Center Gym, 66 Raymond Ave.

Over the last few years, the line has had very low ridership; also over the last few years, a new program has been located at the Visitacion Valley Middle School. This program is called the Beacon and serves residents in Visitacion Valley. It operates six days a week and also at night.

Muni service to the Middle School has always been a problem because of the school's location on a hillside. Muni lines 9X and 15 operate two blocks downhill from Raymond Avenue; the school is actually uphill from Raymond and a difficult walk for many people. There are also safety concerns for students and others walking to and from the nearest stops on those lines. Muni line 29-Sunset is further away and is uphill from the school.

Several years ago, Muni was approached by the school staff and the Beacon and asked to consider whether any improvements in access to the school could be made. Working with school staff, a recommendation was proposed to reroute line 56-Rutland. Unlike the 9X and the 15, the 56 serves only Visitacion Valley, the northern part of the Portola district, and Little Hollywood.

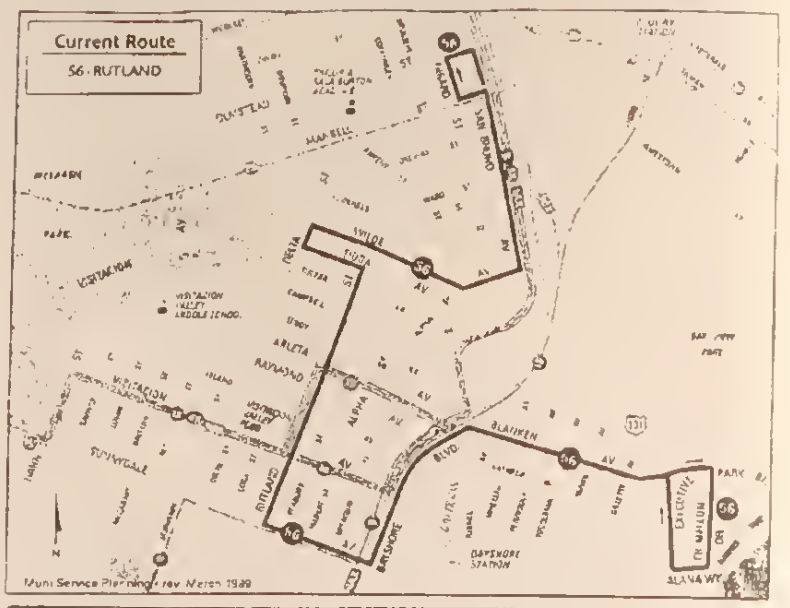
Muni and the school district have agreed that the school district would improve the edge of its upper parking lot, which is on the same level as the second floor of the school, and Muni would propose a reroute of line 56. Because Muni's current budget provides for only one bus on this line, Muni cannot afford to retain the entire current line and also extend the line. Therefore, we are proposing the following:

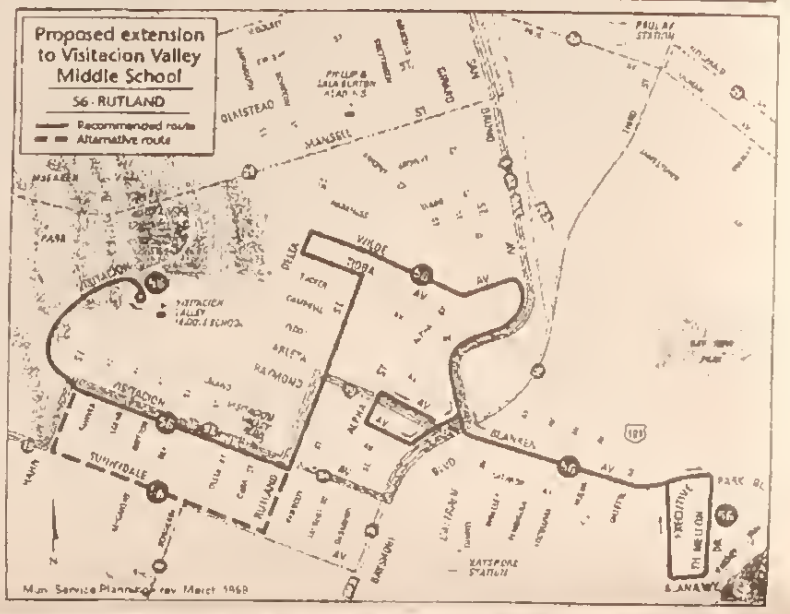
Extend the line from Rutland and Visitacion west along Visitacion and continuing along Visitacion as the road turns uphill through McLaren Park as far as the entrance to the upper parking lot of Visitacion Valley Middle School.

To allow this, but still keep the current schedule without having to use additional buses, the line would no longer operate on San Bruno north of Wilde or on Bayshore between Arleta and Sunnydale, or on Sunnydale between Bayshore and Rutland. Other Muni lines operate on all of these streets so that no one would be left without service. Riders who now use the 56 to reach Mansell could transfer either at Arleta and Bayshore or Wilde and San Bruno. Riders who now use the 56 to reach Sunnydale Avenue would have to walk one additional block.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Michael Cronbach of Muni's Service Planning Department at 923-6091 or 923-6100, or write him at Muni Service Planning, 949 Presidio Avenue, Room 204, San Francisco, CA 94115.

Sincerely,
Peter Straus
Manager of Service Planning





Grapevine on the Net

Our ever-expanding website at http://home.earthlink.net/~visvalley contains news and features from each issue since July 1997, a summary of local news since 1986 and the history of Visitacion Valley.

New Recycling Options and Prizes For the Neighborhood

by David Assmann, Recycling and Hazardous Waste Program Manager, San Francisco Recycling Program

With Earth Day right around the corner, it seems only appropriate to look at new ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. Fortunately, there are a number of ways to expand your efforts to preserve the environment this month.

Residents of the Mission, Portrero Hill, Bayview Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, Portola, Visitacion Valley, Excelsior and Crocker Amazon now have a new recycling option—used motor oil and oil filters. The motor oil should be put into a secure plastic container (with a screw top lid) and placed at the curb on your regular recycling day. Oil filters should be drained into a pan overnight, placed in a sealed, leak-proof plastic bag and set it out next to your other recyclables. Used oil and oil filter will be picked up at a separate time than your other recyclables. You can recycle up to 5 gallons of oil per week. If you need more information on curbside oil recycling program, call 800-449-7587.

Used motor oil needs to be disposed of properly. If it ends up in storm drains, it pollutes streams, lakes and oceans. If poured into sinks, it causes problems at water treatment plants. If poured directly onto the ground, used oil causes soil contamination. The oil that is thrown into the garbage eventually ends up in a landfill and can contaminate groundwater. It is against the law to throw out used oil on the streets, down the drain or in the garbage. Rather than cause problems for the environment, recycling used oil can help preserve a valuable, non-renewable resource.

Residents of Bayview/Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, the Mission, Portola, Potrero Hill and Vistacion Valley also have the opportunity to help neighborhood youth this spring by participating in the Spring Recycling Challenge and recycling more paper, bottles and cans. The San Francisco Recycling Program will give $10,000 to summer youth programs in these neighborhoods if recycling goes up by 10 percent during the months of April, May and June.

The recycling program will be measuring the recyclables collected through the curbside and apartment recycling programs during the Spring Recycling Challenge. Items that can be recycled in curbside and apartment recycling program include: junk mail, cardboard boxes, office paper, newspapers, cereal and other dry food boxes, phone books, magazines and catalogs, paper bags, tin/steel cans, aluminum cans and foil, empty aerosol and paint cans, glass jars and bottles and #1 and #2 plastic bottles.

One of the Recycling Program's goals for 1999 is to increase the recycling of organic materials, like food and yard waste, which are now the single largest component of what we send to the landfill. Fortunately much of this material can be recycled through composting, by using either an indoor or outdoor compost bin.

If you have a yard and a place for a compost bin, all you need to do is place compostable materials (such as sawdust, lawn clippings, small twigs and branches, and food wastes such as leftovers from salad preparations, egg shells, vegetable peels, and coffee grounds) in a compost bin and within a few months, you'll have compost that can be added to your garden and container plants.

By making your own compost, you won't have to spend money on fertilizers. Compost increases soil fertility, making your plants healthier. In times of drought, compost also helps retain soil moisture, lowering your watering needs.

If you don't have a yard, you can still compost your food scraps in an indoor worm bin. So how do you start composting? You may wish to start by attending a free workshop. The San Francisco Recycling Program sponsors a series of workshops on composting, conducted by the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners (SLUG). The first, on Saturday April 3rd, from 10 am to noon, is an Urban Composting and Family Gardening Day event in Alioto Park, 20th St. at Capp. The second, from 10 a.m. to Noon on Saturday April 17th, focuses on Lead and Compost in Bayview/Hunters Point. This workshop is at Candlestick Point Garden at 1105 Carroll and will teach you about the perils of lead in the soil and how you can use compost to create a healthy garden.

If you already know you want to start composting and you're looking for a high-quality, low cost compost bin, the San Francisco Recycling Program is offering two bins to San Francisco residents at a savings of up to 75 percent. For $19.50, you can purchase a $90 Earth Machine compost bin at a one-day compost bin sale on Saturday April 10th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Everett Middle School, 450 Church St (at 17th). You can also purchase a Wriggly Wranch worm bin for only $24.50. For more information on composting call SLUG at 285-7585.

LIFT Providing Self-Employment Options For Lower Incomes

Leveraging Individual Foresight and Talent (LIFT), an important outreach and business support program for Southeast San Francisco--including Bayview/Hunters Point and Visitacion Valley--continues to make a lasting economic impression. LIFT adapts a powerful, culturally appropriate operating model, and meets the needs of a diverse community of entrepreneurs. To date, 55 micro, home-based business owners have participated in the program.

LIFT facilitates ongoing business development meetings and workshops at its monthly gathering of Mini-Business Association members. Participants are community members who live or have a business in the 94124 and 94134 area codes. Members are actively pursuing the establishment or expansion of a micro or home-based business.

Upon determining program eligibility, participants receive an assessment to determine the feasibility of their business venture.

Mini-Business Association meetings are usually held the second Thursday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. at City College's Southeast Campus, 1400 Evans St. Call 824-7780 for further information.

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PayNoFine Quiz Challenges Driver Road Knowledge

With drivers facing the possibility of expensive fines, higher insurance rates and points against their driving record, PayNoFine com (http://www paynofine.com) has created an online quiz to help restore balance to the scales of justice.

Appropriately called the PayNoFine Challenge, visitors answer 20 true or false questions based on the premise: What would you do if you were suddenly pulled over? Afterwards, their score is tabulated along with detailed explanations. For many drivers, though, they don't score as high as originally expected.

According to the web site's spokesman, Michael M. Cruz, "Many drivers believe that because they drive everyday, they know the laws. Unfortunately that's not the case." Luckily the PayNoFine Challenge enlightens drivers about some popular misconceptions and options if they do receive a ticket.

Visitors can also check out the site's National Ticket Clock--a real-time counter showing how many traffic tickets have been issued since Jan. "Most people don't even think of getting pulled over until it's too late," said Cruz.

Following are questions and answers to the PayNoFine Challenge. After visitors answer the 20 true or false questions, it immediately tabulates a score and provides detailed explanations.

1. Provided you pass the minimum requirements such as taking the driving, written and eye test, possessing a driver's license is one of our rights as a citizen.

FALSE. Although many drivers believe this statement, it's simply not true States classify receiving a driver's license as a "privilege," not an inherent right; even if you do pass all the required tests.

2. The "fast" lane is the lane on the far left side.

FALSE. Despite the popular notion, there is no such thing as the "fast lane." All lanes on the freeway or highway are the same speed, trucker's lanes excepted. According to the law, you cannot drive over the posted speed limit; being in the number one lane does not grant you that magical right to go faster

3. Writing traffic tickets reduces accidents.

FALSE. In a study funded by the Department of Transportation, officers in a Connecticut town went on a ticket writing binge during one specific weekend. As a result, the number of accidents increased hy 40 percent.

4. A red car gets ticketed for speeding more often than any other color

FALSE. Amazingly, most people think red but white is the number one color cited for speeding. Reason: there are more white cars on the road

5. Officers are more aggressive issuing citations at the end of the month to ensure they meet their quotas.

FALSE. Contrary to popular belief, officers do not have quotas However, many law enforcement agencies tie this into performance reviews. The more citations an officer issues, the better an officer will do in their performance review

6. Many times an officer will not stop a speeding vehicle traveling 5-10 MPH over the speed limit but if the car has a vehicle defect, your chances greatly increase.

TRUE. Let's face it, most drivers speed, however, if you have a defect such as a broken taillight, the likelihood of being pulled over increases dramatically. Simple solution: always make sure your vehicle is in good mechanical condition.

7. Traffic police tend to have favorite locations where they know they can write tickets with minimal effort.

TRUE. Always be on the lookout for cops on roads that slope downward and freeway on/off ramps. If you see a motorcycle officer in the same location more than once, you can be assured it's a place they frequent.

8. When you see a police car's red lights on, always pull over to the right-side of the road

TRUE You want to always avoid the left-side/median. It's safer for both you and the officer and why most law enforcement officers get upset with drivers who pull over to the left-side, so expect a ticket. Remember, when you see a red light, always pull over to the right.

9 A polite attitude may result in the officer writing a reduced speed on your citation

TRUE. Attitude is the number one thing that can get you off. If you are polite, respectful, it will help your chances of either getting a warning or a lower speed on your ticket.

10. Using words such as "sir" in excess will help you get just a warning

FALSE. Saying the word "sir" more than once is construed as kissing up to the officer Don't do it Just be polite and never argue with the officer. He obviously felt you committed a traffic offense otherwise he wouldn't have pulled you over in the first place.

11 Anything you say to an officer when pulled over can NOT be admitted as evidence in court.

FALSE. Although the officer does not have to read you your rights, anything you say can be used against you in court The key is to avoid admitting you committed the offense. Offer vague and noncommittal answers For example, if the officer asks "do you know why I pulled you over?" Indicate you're not sure why and make him tell you

12. Always ask the officer for a warning even if you're 110 percent guilty.

TRUE. You have absolutely nothing to lose by asking. The best time is when you hand the officer your drivers license and registration. Ask by saying, "officer , you may be right but could I just get a warning, I've been trying very hard to maintain a clean driving record " Don't wait till the officer returns with your citation. Once they mark a ticket, it is yours to keep.

13 If you plan on fighting a traffic ticket, always tell the officer that you will "see them in court."

FALSE. This is the last thing you would want to say to an officer even if you are upset. The key is to remain polite and calm. Even if you think the officer is a jerk, your attitude can make a big difference. Being rude will ensure the officer looks for other things to nail you on such as mechanical violations

14 You immediately waive all your rights and options when you plead "guilty."

TRUE. When you plead 'not guilty,' you have many options available that otherwise would be erased

15. Over one-half of all drivers who contest their ticket are found either "not guilty" or the citation is dismissed.

TRUE. The most common reason is that the officer doesn't show up. One method is to call the police department for 7 days in a row to determine which days the officer has off. Then, when you schedule your court date, be sure to have it on one of the days the officer is not on duty. This is not a foolproof method because some officers want to collect overtime but statistically, it's in your favor

16 When fighting a ticket, you don't have the right to subpoena any evidence from the police department.

FALSE. As mentioned, officers write notes on the back of his copy of the citation. When you plead "not guilty" you have the right to see his ticket log book, backside of the citation and radar manuals/maintenance records (if used) Having the chance to see them may help you in court. if the officer even shows up

17 The best time to visit the court clerk to plead "not guilty" is on a Monday morning.

FALSE. If you live in a major metropolitan area, at all costs, try to avoid Mondays or Tuesdays after a three-day holiday. It seems every Tom, Dick and Harry and their wives visit the court at the beginning of the week. Your best bet. Friday afternoon because most people are concerned with their weekend plans. You can be in-and-out of the clerk's office within 5-10 minutes.

18 Radar is one of the most difficult tickets to win in court.

FALSE. Many different factors can greatly affect the use of radar including environment, traffic and weather conditions The PayNoFine Guide has an extensive information on this topic

19 You have the right to appeal a traffic ticket.

TRUE. In most states, appealing basically means you're granted another trial Bear in mind that you can only appeal once.

20 A traffic citation on your driving record can increase your insurance premium by up to 15 percent.

TRUE. Depending on your specific insurance underwriter, many companies place a standard 15 percent increase in the premium.

Healthtalk:
Caring for a Loved One with Alzheimer's

When you ask an Alzheimer's caregiver how they manage day-to-day, they will tell you that it takes a great deal of courage, love, patience, and perseverance to care for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease

Approximately four million Americans have Alzheimer's disease, an illness that slowly destroys the functioning of the brain Almost 75 percent of home care is provided by family and friends. Unfortunately, most family members are completely unprepared for the new responsibilities when their loved one is first diagnosed.

"It is important for caregivers to begin researching their options and planning for their future before a crisis occurs," said Marlene Mahn, MSSW, specialist in the Quality Care Initiative for the Alzheimer's Association. "This includes services such as home care, meals on wheels, adaptive devices, day care, and support groups as well as out of the home placement options, such as assisted living and nursing homes."

It is best to be knowledgeable of all resources available before the need arises. Here are 12 steps to help new caregivers get started:

1. Learn all you can. Get your hands on brochures, books and articles about Alzheimer's disease--and the role of caregivers A good place to start is the Alzheimer's Association

2. Be organized. Keep a journal to record the telephone numbers of the organizations you contact, the names of people you speak with, and the information you receive.

3. Assess your situation. Does your loved one need minimal supervision or round-the-clock care? Are you emotionally and financially prepared for your loved one to move into your home?

4. Develop an action plan. Talk with friends and relatives and determine who will handle tasks as they are needed (i e. doctors' visits, cleaning, grocery, personal hygiene, paying of bills, housecleaning).

5. Plan for the future. Talk with your loved one now about their finances. Locate all important financial documents--then consult a lawyer to help you develop a financial plan.

6. Be honest with others. Let friends and other family members know what is going on They may want to help.

7. Prepare your home. Reducing clutter will make it easier for your loved one to find things more easily As the disease progresses, you may want to label drawers and rooms with signs, arrows, and pictures.

8. Establish patterns. Develop a daily routine that includes activities at the same time each day Clocks and calendars can help your loved one keep track of the date and time

9. Anticipate mood changes. memory loss affects everyone differently You loved one may have a "catastrophic reaction" and become angry and confused, frightened, anxious--or even suspicious As you learn the signs, you may be able to prevent outbursts with distraction or a change of scenery

10. Prevent wandering. Many people with Alzheimer's wander aimlessly around the house--or away from home. there are many reasons for wandering--sometimes they are trying to find something--or trying to get away from real or imagined fears If wandering is a problem, you can disguise doors and install locks or chimes. The Alzheimer's Association has a nationwide identification program (Safe Return) to help find people and bring them home

11. Talk to your doctor. Be honest about problem behaviors If the doctor prescribes medication, ask for a daily log. Track your loved one's moods and behaviors and share the information on your next medical visit.

12. Be good to yourself. being a caregiver can be physically and emotionally draining. To be there for your loved one, you first need to take care of yourself Take a break when you need it. You deserve it

Suggested Resources:

*Alzheimer's Association, (800) 272-3900. www.alz.org

**The 36-hour Day* by Nancy L. Mace and Peter V Rabins (University Press) A comprehensive family guide

*www.biostat.wustl.edu/alzheimer An e-mail discussion group for caregivers

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Friends of Brisbane Library Celebrate National Library Week

To celebrate National Library Week from Apr 11-17, the Friends of the Brisbane Library will host a series of events, including

*April 14. A lively evening with Albert Goodwyn, coordinator of Supernumeraries for the San Francisco Opera, 8 p.m. at the Mangiare Cafe, 182 Old Country Road in Brisbane

*April 15 Learn what it takes to get started in the fast-growing video game industry and find out about new products to be released in coming months, 7 p m at the Teen Center, 22 San Bruno in Brisbane

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S.F. Library Hearings On Strategic Plan And Operating Hours

San Francisco Public Library is holding a series of community meetings throughout April and May, in the branches and at the Main Library, to ask the public for help in development of a new strategic plan for the library system.

These meetings are employing a planning process recently adopted by the American Library Association (ALA) called Planning for Results. This process, developed in 1998 by the Public Library Association (PLA), a division of the ALA, is a revision of an earlier planning process widely used by libraries throughout the country.

Meetings to be held from 7 to 9 p.m. locally include: Tuesday, Apr. 13 at Ingleside Branch, 387 Ashton Ave. for Ingleside, West Portal and Ocean View; Tuesday, Apr. 27 at Portola Branch, 2450 San Bruno Ave. for Portola, Glen Park and Visitacion Valley; and Tuesday, May 11 at Bayview/Waden Branch, 5075 Third St. for Bayview/Wayden and Excelsior.

Planning for Results will emphasize development of a library service plan as well as how the Library can contribute to achieving the overall objectives and vision of the community. Participants will have the opportunity to comment on key issues of the Library, such as service to children and youth, consumer information, community referral, business and career information and general information. This process will also actively measure how well library services meet the needs of the people.

S.F. Library needs to identify strategic goals and objectives for the next several years, which will allow the Library to fulfill its mission: *"The San Francisco public Library is dedicated to free and equal access to information, knowledge, independent learning and the joys of reading for our diverse community."* The last long range plan for the Library was developed in 1991.

Under Proposition E, the Library Preservation Fund passed in June 1994, the City is required to maintain funding for the Library at a level derived by a formula based on property tax revenue. This enhanced funding was used to expand hours of service and to enhance the materials budget. The legislation also requires that the Library maintain a Main Library and 26 branch libraries, including a library for the blind, throughout the course of 15 years.

The purpose of the upcoming public forums, to be held in 12 separate locations, is to review the Library's present hours of operation, which were approved by the Library Commission in 1995. While the Library's budget does not have room to expand hours of service, the Library wishes to learn from the public which open hours best serve the needs of library users.

Each meeting will have an agenda which includes strategic planning issues, as well as specific time slots to talk about the designated branches. In addition, there will be time allotted to take comments and suggestions on other branches not scheduled to be discussed that evening, on other library issues not previously raised.

The California State Library is supporting several California libraries in Planning for Results, including a $20,000 grant to San Francisco Public Library, which will be one of the first major urban libraries to implement the process. Additional support for the development of the strategic plan is being provided by the Friends and Foundation of the San Francisco public Library.

Proposition E requires that the Library hold "at least one public hearing...at the Main and each branch library" where "at least one library commissioner shall attend." To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the meetings for non-compliant branches will be held at accessible branches which are located as close as possible to the inaccessible branch.

United States to Investigate Creatine Dumping by Chinese

WAUKEGAN, IL - The International Trade Administration of the United States Department of Commerce announced it is initiating an antidumping duty investigation into Chines imports of creatine. The investigation arises out of a Feb. 12 filing on an antidumping petition by Pfanstiehl Laboratories, Inc. and comes on the heels of a similar investigation by the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Pfanstiehl Laboratories has developed substantial evidence that Chinese manufacturers are importing creatine into the U.S. in ever-increasing volumes at prices that are significantly below the cost of production. The dumping of Chinese creatine in the United States market clearly violates U.S. trade laws. The Chinese onslaught, assisted by numerous U.S. importers, has seriously damaged U.S. creatine producers, posing a grave and immediate threat to the continued existence of the U.S. creatine industry.

Antidumping petitions have been filed by U.S. companies that manufacture computer chips, chemicals, supercomputers, motorcycles, orange juice, TV picture tubes and steel. This is the first petition filed for a nutritional supplement.

In initiating its investigation, the U.S. International Trade Administration also indicates that it will investigate whether circumstances exist to warrant the retroactive imposition of dumping duties on Chinese creatine. Imports from China surged more than 150 percent in the fourth quarter of 1998.

Pfanstiehl has alleged in its petition that the dumping margin would range from 120 to 152 percent.

"We were gratified to see our government bring to bear its substantial resources to prevent the destruction of a U.S. industry by dumped creatine from China," said Ed Holstein, vice-president of Phanstiehl Laboratories. "We can only hope that the process moves quickly in the face of enormous efforts by the Chinese to dump huge amounts of the material here."

About Creatine

"Creatine is a non-essential amino acid available over-the-counter at almost every nutrition store in the United States. This naturally-occurring substance is found in high concentration in raw meat and fish. Athletes once consumed large quantities of meat to maintain energy during intense exercise. In the 1990s, they have replaced that high meat diet with creatine supplements.

"By boosting their body's creatine pool, athletes may be able to extend their workouts and compete longer at a more vigorous level, particularly those engaged in weight training, basketball, football, sprinting and other types of short-term intense activities.

"Since creatine is not a drug, its manufacture is not regulated by the FDA.

"Since creatine is not a patented drug, physicians are not necessarily knowledgeable about its use. So patients rely on other sources for information.

"Recent research at the University of Massachusetts Exercise Science Department reveals that creatine supplements lessen leg fatigue in older men.

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District Robberies

*On Mar 22 at 10:30 p.m., there was an attempted robbery on the corner of Alpha and Teddy. The suspect simulated a gun in his pocket in an attempt to rob the victim. The suspect was found when police arrived and *arrested* after a short foot chase. Case 990352220.

*On Mar. 21 at 9:30 p.m., a man got onto a Muni bus at Mission and Persia and noticed three men already on the bus who were looking at him. The man exited the bus at Visitacion and Mansell and the three other men got off also. One of the men then approached the victim and accused him of living in the "Swamp," referring to the Sunnydale area. The suspect then produced a revolver and demanded the victim's property. When the victim failed to comply with the demand, the suspect pistol-whipped him, causing a deep laceration to the top of his head. The suspects then knocked the victim to the ground and beat him as they were removing all of his property, including much of his clothing. The suspects then fled on foot. The suspects are described as: all Samoan males 18-20; #1- 6'3"; 285; black hair pulled back in ponytail, black goatee, wearing a red jacket. #2 - 6';165; blue jacket with hood, mustache #3 no information. Case 990347033.

*On Mar. 20 at 8:20 p.m., three teenage boys were riding a Muni 15-line bus at Mission and Geneva when they were approached by approximately 15-20 other teenage boys who beat and kicked them prior to robbing them of their personal property. The suspects are described only as black male juveniles, ranging in age from 10-16 who shouted out "Sunnydale" several times during their assault of the victims before they left the bus at Sunnydale and Santos. Case 990343382.

*On Mar. 19 at 4 p.m., a woman was walking on Geneva near San Jose when four female suspects approached her from behind and pushed her as they yelled out racist slurs. The suspects then proceeded to punch the victim and eventually stole her wallet prior to fleeing on foot. The suspects are four black females described as: #1 20-22; 5'11"; 150; braided hair; black jacket; possibly attends City College. #2 & #3: 15-17 yrs.; braided hair; black jackets. #4 15-17; orange jacket, braided hair. Case 990339256.

*On Mar. 18, at 3:30 p.m. at Brazil and Madrid, a woman had her purse snatched from behind while walking. Suspect is described as 4'10", 14, wearing black jacket with white lettering on sleeves, no further information is available on suspect. Case 990334256.

*On Mar. 15 at 8 p.m., a man exited a Muni bus at Mission and Brazil counting his money and was immediately robbed by seven hispanic youth. The suspects were all 15-19 and wearing blue clothes (no further information). Case 990321106.

*On Mar. 15 at 8 a.m., a woman was standing on the corner of San Jose and Rice when a man came from behind her and grabbed her purse. The woman struggled and was struck by the suspect who made off with her purse. The suspect is described as: black male; 25;5'10; 150; black beanie, blue coveralls blue long sleeve sweater, white tennis shoes. Case 990317622.

*On Mar. 15 at 7:44 a.m., a clerk was working inside the Piccolo Pete Deli at 2155 Bayshore Blvd. when a man walked into the business wearing a ski mask and holding a revolver, demanding all of the deli's money. The suspect took the money from both the cash register and the safe and fled on foot north on Bayshore, removing his mask as he fled. The suspect is described as a black male, 20s, 5'10", 170, light complexion, bald, clean shaven, wearing a black wool cap, red/black/gold "49ers" parka and beige pants. Case 990317525.

*On Mar. 14 at 9:15 p.m., a young man was robbed on a Muni bus by three individuals. They approached him and asked "that he give all his stuff to them." The suspects are all black males 15-19; #1 was 5'8,140; wearing a green jacket, blue ski jacket. #2 no description. #3 was wearing a green jacket. Case 990316414.

*On Mar. 14 at 5:45 p.m., two women were walking east on Francis when approached from behind by a suspect who forcibly removed purses from both women. The suspect fled west on Francis and south on Alemany. Suspect was a black male; 28; 6'; 180; wearing all black. Case 990315955.

*On Mar. 14 at 11:55 a.m., a woman was walking on the 100 block of Fairmount when a male suspect grabbed her purse. A struggle ensued in which the suspect made his way to a car and the woman was dragged down the street, still struggling. The victim eventually let go and the suspect fled east on Fairmount. The suspect is described as: a black male; 30; 5'10";bald; vehicle was a tan vehicle with California plate starting 3GC. Case 990314850.

*On Mar. 13 at 12:50 a.m. a man exited the 14 Muni at Mission and St. Mary's and saw two individuals staring at him. One grabbed him by the front of his throat and forced him to the ground. The suspect was kicked several times and his wallet was removed. The suspects fled east on St. Mary's. Suspects are described as #1) Hispanic male, 20's; 5'8"; 140; wearing a baseball cap, red jacket, blue jeans, short hair in front/ long in back, 2 distinctive scars on right side cheek area. #2 Hispanic male; 20's; 5'4";130; short black hair; wearing black jacket, blue jeans, three loop style earrings in left ear. Case 990309538.

*On Mar. 8 at 10 a.m., the Bay View Bank at 4610 Mission was robbed by a black male in a red jumpsuit. He stepped up to the counter and demanded all the large bills while simulating a gun in his left pocket. The teller gave him the money and he fled on foot. The suspect is described as a black male; 25-30; 6'; 180; wearing a red jumpsuit with a hood. Case 990286481.

*On Mar. 7 at 7:10 p.m., a male and female were exiting their vehicle on the first block of Pasadena when a black male suspect ran toward the vehicle. The occupants of the car locked the doors but the suspect broke through the window and took the female's purse. The suspect then fled north on Pasadena, he is described as: black male; late 20's; 5'11";170; all black clothing, black beanie cap with eyes cut out, dark complexion. Refer to case 990284582.

*On Mar. 7 at 11:05 a.m., a woman was walking south on Cayuga at Seneca when a black male exited a vehicle, ran up to her, and took her purse. The suspect fled back to the truck and drove south on Cayuga. The victim grabbed onto the truck and was drug to Cayuga/Geneva where she was struck by the suspect and released her grip. The suspect is described as a black male; 28; 5'10"; dark clothing, thin build. The truck was retrieved by police and towed. Case 990283051.

*On Mar. 5 at 11:30 p.m., a woman was walking east on the 100 block of Laidley when approached from behind by a suspect who took the purse from her shoulder and forced her to the ground. The suspect fled to a waiting car and fled towards beacon. The suspect is described as a black male;22; 5'7"; 180; wearing a black wool cap, dark clothing. Case 990279113.

*On Mar. 4 at 6:45 a.m., Piccolo Pete's Coffee Shop was robbed by a man who entered the establishment wearing a ski mask and holding a gun. He demanded the money in the cash register and from the owner's wallet. The suspect fled the scene in an unknown direction on foot. The suspect was a black male; 5'8"; 150; wearing a green army coat, black pants, black ski mask, black long barrel revolver. Refer to case 990027387.

District Burglaries

*On Mar. 21 between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. a residence in the 810's of Ellsworth was burglarized. One door inside the house was broken through and a "Coach" watch was removed from the room. No information is available on the suspect. Case 990346687.

*On Mar. 19 at 11:25 a.m., a house on the 300 block of Harkness was nearly burglarized. The residents were inside when they saw the front door open and a black male stuck his head in the door and exited quickly. The suspect ran to a blue coupe that was driven by another black male. The suspect is described as: a black male; 20-25; 6'; 180; short hair, wearing a black jacket and black pants. No further information is available on the driver or the car. Case 990337551.

*On Mar. 17 between 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., a house on the 900 block of Prague was broken into through a window. Two handguns (Glock and Sig Sauer), several rings and sets of earrings, and a dragon pendant were reported missing. No information is available on suspects. Case 990328055.

*Between Feb. 21 and Mar. 16, a house on the 400 block of Joost was burglarized. There is no information on the suspects or how the house was broken into. Case 990329473.

*On Mar. 16, at 7:30 a.m., a house on the 3900 block of Folsom street was broken into by an ex-husband who was still on the premises when the resident returned home. The ex-husband was arrested and taken into custody. Case 990322916.

*On Mar. 15 between 7:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m., a house on the 1300 block of Plymouth was burglarized through a sliding glass door. Items stolen include: a Sony walkman; a wedding ring; a boom box; and a VCR. No suspect information available. Case 990320556.

*On Mar. 15 at 2:30 p.m. three Asian male suspects who have been committing daytime burglaries throughout the district hit again on the 600 block of Naples Street. Ingleside officers pursued the suspects as they fled the area in their car, and the driver and owner of the car was eventually arrested and booked for burglary: Wen Liang, 305 Wayland. Two suspects are still outstanding. Case 990319214.

*Between Mar. 12 and Mar. 15, an apartment on the first block of Onondaga was burglarized through a rear door by unknown means. A black Pagemart pager and a yellow Polo Sport jacket were reported missing. Case 990321792.

*On Mar 12, between 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. a house on the first block of Wanda St. was broken into through the front gate and front window. Cash and jewelry were taken. No information on suspect(s). Case 990308176.

*On Mar 12, at 1:30 p.m., a suspect forcibly entered on the 100 block of Trumbull after ringing the bell. The suspect left quickly when startled by the occupants of the house. The suspect is described as an Asian male, 20-25; 5'5";125; thin build, medium length hair, green thin nylon jacket, blue jeans, white tennis shoes, holding claw hammer. Case 990306625.

*On Mar. 12, between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m., a house on the 300 block of Teddy was burglarized. The suspect entered the house through a back door on the second floor. Cash and jewelry were taken. No information on suspect(s). Case 990306114.

*On Mar 12, between 10:15 a.m. and 2:50 p.m. a house on the 600 block of Vienna was burglarized through the front door. Cash and jewelry were taken. No information on suspect(s). Case 990307770.

*On Mar. 11, between 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., a house on the 200 block of Allison was broken into through a side door. Cash was taken. No information on suspect(s). Case 990303875.

*On Mar. 11 at 1:50 p.m. a woman left her home on the 200 block of Teddy Street for approximately 30 minutes, and upon returning home found that her front door screen had been removed. The woman entered her home and saw that it had been ransacked, and she then realized that someone was still inside the home. The woman ran out of her house and to the corner store, where she called the police. A witness the woman back to her house, and two suspects were seen leaving with a bag full of property. The suspects fled to a vehicle which was parked in front of 585 Campbell, and then fled south on Rutland in the car. The vehicle is described as a 1998-99 Acura, 2-door, silver in color, spoiler in back with brake lights in it. The suspects are described as: 1) Asian male; 16-19; 5'8"; 130, hair long on top and shaved on back and sides, wearing a flannel shirt and blue jeans; 2) Asian male; 16-19; 5'6"; 120; hair long on top, shaved in back, wearing khaki pants and dark colored baggy flannel shirt. Case 990302106.

*On Mar. 11 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., house on the 600 block of Huron was broken into through the front door and front gate (pried open). Cash, jewelry, and a Sony DVD Player: DVP-5300 were stolen. Suspect(s) unknown. Case 990303104.

*On Mar. 11 at 9:55 a.m., a woman living on the 1000 block of Bosworth Street looked out her window to see two men attempting to open the locked doors of more than one parked vehicle with a "bunch" of car keys (very likely master-keys). The suspects were eventually successful, and gained entry to a parked Toyota and then ransacked it. The suspects then fled the area north on Elk from Bosworth in a gold hatchback vehicle. The suspects are described as: 1) male (unknown race(, 20s, braided hair, wearing a blue plaid shirt; 2) male (race unknown), 20s, wearing a black hat. Case 990301114.

*On Mar. 9 at 3:30 a.m., a car was broken into on the first block of Camellia by three black males. Officers arrived while the suspects were in the area. The suspects were arrested and will be charged with the crime. Case 990290454.

*On Mar. 8 at 1:40 p.m., several asian youths attempted to rob a house on the 100 block of Concord. The suspects had removed the front door knob and were attempting to gain access when the owner of the house came out and scared the suspects. The resident had recognized one of the youths as an individual who had been by the house earlier and asked if "Kevin" lived there. Another of the youths had also come to the house and asked for a person who did not live there. All suspects were asian males 16-18; suspect #1 was 5'6",120; wearing a tan jacket, blue jeans, and black shoes. Suspect #2 was 5'7"; 120; wearing a white jacket. Suspect #3 was 5'7"; 120; wearing a blue coat and blue jeans. Suspect #4 was 5'6"; 120; wearing a black sweat shirt. Case 990288681.

*On Mar 4 at 2:24 p.m., a witness saw a man entering a private residence on the 400 block of 30th Street and then leaving the premises several minutes later with a considerable amount of property. The residence owner returned home a few minutes later, and the witness spoke with the owner and realized that she had witnessed a daytime burglary. The suspect is described as a white male, 35-45, 6'1", 180, unkempt brown hair, moustache, last seen wearing a red and blue striped long-sleeve shirt and blue jean pants. He was driving a silver or grey Dodge pickup truck, bearing a white license plate with blue lettering. The truck had lumber racks and white tool boxes on each side. A red "DODGE" appeared on the tailgate. Case 990272747.

Recent Major Cases

*On Mar. 6, a male and female suspect were arrested for *recklessly evading a police officer*. The two suspects were sighted by officers when they neglected to stop at a stop sign. The officers attempted to make a traffic stop, but the suspects accelerated and went through a number of stop signs at speeds up to 50 mph. The pursuit was called off when the suspect turned onto Geneva in order to maintain public safety. The vehicle was spotted shortly after and witnesses led police to find the two suspects and narcotics. Case 990281522.

*On Mar. 3, a male suspect was arrested for *possession of heroin for sales and transportation of heroin*. Police survailed the suspect for some time and found that he was engaging in the above illegal activities. The officers placed this individual under arrest when they thought it safe and likely that he would be in possession of illegal narcotics. Over a thousand dollars cash, and two vehicles were seized as evidence, in addition to the numerous drugs that were found in the suspect's possession. Case 990267475.

*On Feb. 26 a male suspect was arrested for *possession of methanphetamines*, *possession of marijuana*, and on several local warrants. The suspect was recognized by Ingleside officers from previous contacts. He was taken into custody and the suspected narcotics were found during a search subsequent to the arrest. Case 990247411.

*On Feb. 25, a female suspect was arrested while driving a stolen car. During a search that followed the arrest the officers also found what appeared to be methanphetamines. This suspect was also had warrants out for her arrest. Case 990238090.

*On Feb. 25, a male suspect was arrested for driving a stolen car. The car was spotted by an Ingleside officer who noted that the driving was suspicious and decided to check the license plate. The officer discovered that the vehicle was stolen and effected a traffic stop, arrested the suspect, and had the car towed so it could be returned. Case 990199094.

*On Feb. 21, a male suspect was arrested on a warrant and for intent to sell marijuana. Officers enter the residence through an open door (after knocking and ringing a bell) and found marijuana and various drug paraphernalia. The suspect was arrested and booked. Case #990221465.

*On Feb. 17, a male suspect was arrested for *possession* of "crack" cocaine and marijuana with intent to sell. The suspect also had a local warrant out on him. This suspect was apprehended on the first block of Brookdale. He is held on a $10,000 bail. Case #990201934.

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2. He wins Democratic nomination on July 15.

3 U.S. Supreme Court on Oct 4 lifts ban on this.

4 *Best Film* at the Academy Awards on Mar 29

5 Mysterious virus claims 28 lives here by August.

6 They become the last champions of the American Basketball Association on May 13

7 World Series winners in four straight games

8 He left behind $1 5 billion after Apr. 5 death as a recluse.

9 A Feb. 25 proposal here would penalize families having more than two children.

10. Photos from Mars on July 20.

11 He became known for *Rocky*.

12 United States celebrated this on July 4

13. Champions of the NBA on June 6.

14 Olympics were held here

15 Two Americans reach the top of this on Oct 9

16 Devastating Feb 4 earthquake here kills 12,000

17 They win Super Bowl X on Jan 18

18 Famous Chinese leader dies Sept. 9 at 82

A Sylvester Stallone
B Guatemala
C One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest

D Boston Celtics
E Pittsburgh Steelers
F India
G Eskimos
H Bicentennial
I Montreal
J Chairman Mao
K Cincinnati Reds
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M Jimmy Carter
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P New York Nets
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R Howard Hughes

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FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE GRAPEVINE

APRIL 1994

*Visitacion Valley Community Center was recommended by Private Industry Council to be funded as the CBO for the neighborhood's Summer Youth Employment and Training Program

*An event for all ages, the 10th annual Visitacion Valley Festival was scheduled for May 21

*Visitacion Valley Elementary School (VVES) celebrated Black History Month and the Lunar New Year with a joint assemblies on Feb. 28.

*Three parishioners from St. James Presbyterian Church were appointed by Mayor Frank Jordan to a special Visitacion Valley task force designed to have an impact on decision-making at City Hall.

*Parents of VVES students participated with them in *Success for All* a books and breakfast workshop held at the school.

*VVES also crowned its Spelling Bee champions for 1994

*Members of the Geneva Towers Residents' Council supported demolition of the twin high rises with the opportunity for current residents to return to new replacement housing.

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This Month in S.F. History

APRIL

1 In 1850, a four-story building at the corner of Pacific and Kearny Sts. was purchased for $150,000 by the City for its new town hall. On the same day, San Francisco's county government was established. In 1851, Montgomery Street became the City's first illuminated thoroughfare, with street lights funded by property owner's contributions.

3 In 1848, the first American public school in San Francisco opened. In 1969, the final sunken section of the BART trans-bay tube was connected.

7 In 1957, sections of two former cable car routes were combined to form the new Powell & Hyde Sts. line

10 In 1878, Adolph Sutro commenced operation of his steam railroad.

11 In 1958, Brooks Hall, a sub-surface auditorium adjacent to the Civic Center Plaza, was dedicated.

12 In 1898, the bulk of Yerba Buena Island was transferred by the U.S. Army to the Navy.

14 In 1860, after a series of relays from St. Joseph, Missouri, the first pony express delivery arrived in San Francisco.

15 In 1850, the City of San Francisco was incorporated. In 1926, the Visitacion Valley branch gymnasium of the S.F. Boys Club was officially dedicated. In 1966, dredging operations were commenced in San Francisco Bay for the sectional placement of the trans-bay tube

18 In 1868, the San Francisco branch of the SPCA was established. In 1906, a powerful earthquake with an estimated magnitude of 8.25 on the later established Richter scale shook San Francisco at 5:12 a.m. for nearly a minute. Ruptured gas and water lines contributed to the worst fire in the City's history. In 1907, the Fairmont Hotel was opened.

19 In 1850, the British brig Warlock arrived in San Francisco bringing the first Chinese immigrants from Hong Kong. In 1852, the California Historical Society was incorporated. In 1906, in the aftermath of the earthquake, 176 prisoners were transferred to the military prison on Alcatraz from the City's damaged jail.

20 In 1958, after decades of service, including 20 years running on the Bay Bridge's lower deck, Key System trains were replaced by busses.

21 In 1892, the first buffalo was born in Golden Gate Park. In 1940, the eventual General Douglas MacArthur Tunnel in the Presidio was opened.

25 In 1945, the newly created United Nations began its first conference in San Francisco.

28 In 1854, Howard & Hudson Co. published the City's first Chinese language newspaper, the bilingual Golden Hills' News, to serve California's 25,000 new readers from the Orient

Soz Who?

Match quotes to speakers.

1. "Architect. One who drafts a plan of your house, and plans a draft of your money."

2. "If you think it's hard to meet people, try picking up the wrong golf ball."

3. "Put all your eggs in one basket and--watch that basket!

4 "A tree's a tree. How many more do you need to look at?"

5. "A cult is a religion with no political power."

6. "Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects."

7 "Music is spiritual. The music business is not."

8. "Politics is war without bloodshed, while war is politics with bloodshed

9. "I want to see you shoot the way you shout."

A Mao Zedong
B Theodore Roosevelt
C Will Rogers
D Mark Twain
E. Ambrose Bierce
F Ronald Reagan
G Tom Wolfe
H Van Morrison
I. Jack Lemmon

Answers: 1-E; 2-I; 3-D; 4-F; 5-G; 6-C; 7-H; 8-A; 9-B.

Recipe of the Month

DUTCH SPICED BEEF

2 lbs. beef round steak (3/4" thick); 1 2 tsp. salt; 1/8 tsp. pepper; 6 tbsp. butter; 1 large Spanish onion (thickly sliced), 1 tbsp. water; 1-1/2 tbsp. vinegar, 1 tsp. prepared mustard, 1 bay leaf; 2 whole cloves; 4 canned spiced onions; 12 strips pimento.

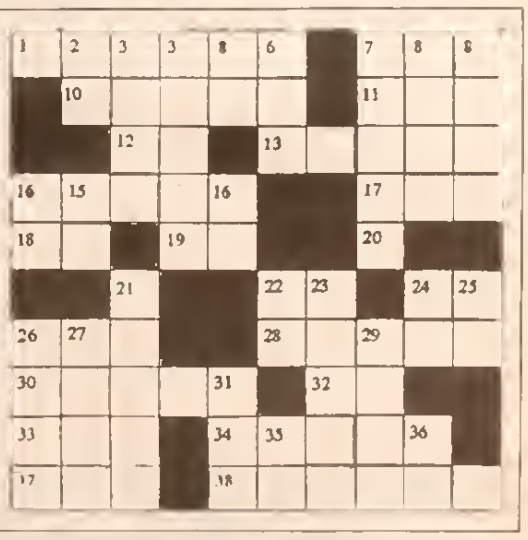
Cut steak into 4 pieces; rub with salt and pepper. Heat butter in large frying pan until hot but not brown. Brown meat on both sides; remove to platter.

Add sliced onions to frying pan and fry lightly; remove from pan. Add water to frying pan, scraping pan to loosen any bits of beef. Return meat to pan; cover with onion slices. Add vinegar, mustard, bay leaf and cloves. Cover and cook slowly 1-1/2 hours or until tender, turning every 1/2 hour.

Place steaks on serving platter. Remove bay leaf and cloves and place onions on platter. Garnish each steak with 1 spiced onion and 3 pimento strips. Serves 4.

Life is a bridge. Cross over it, but build no house on it. - *Indian Proverb*

Grapevine Crossword



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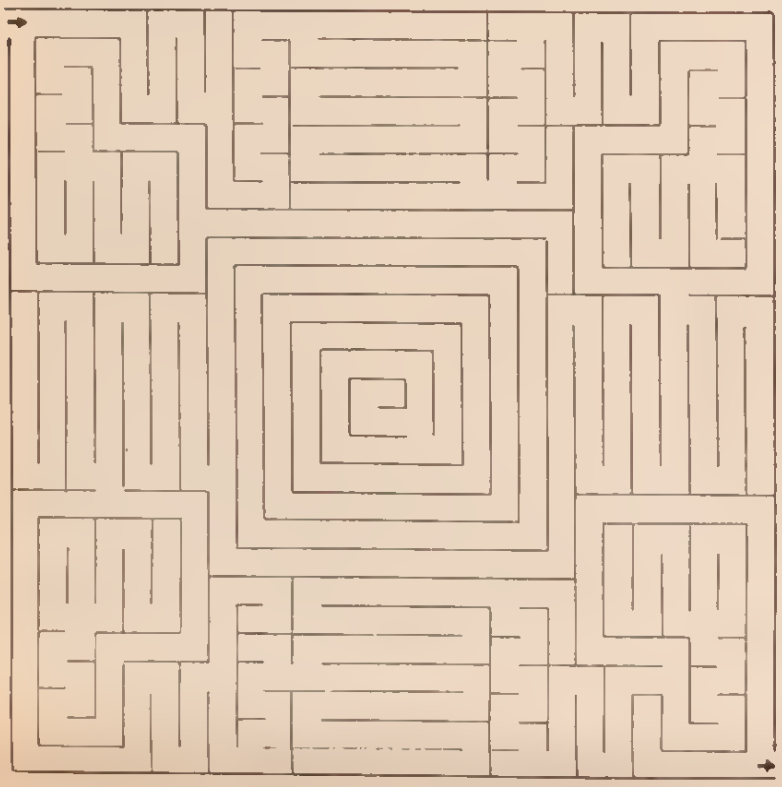

Famous Birthdays

APRIL

1 Lon Chaney (1883), Hans Conried (1915), Ali MacGraw (1938), Jane Powell (1926), Debbie Reynolds (1932), Otto von Bismark (1875), Ronnie Lane (1946), Max Von Sydow (1929), Sheb Wooley (1921)

2 Dana Carvey (1955), Mikhail Gorbachev (1931), Charlemagne (742), Buddy Ebsen (1908), Alec Guinness (1914), Emmylou Harris (1948), Clint Howard (1959), Harold Lloyd (1893), Pamela Reed (1953), Leon Russell (1941), Jack Webb (1920)

3 Alec Baldwin (1958), Jan Berry (1941), Marlon Brando (1924), Doris Day (1924), Ivan Dixon (1931), Jennie Garth (1972), Gus Grissom (1926), George Jessel (1898), Eddie Murphy (1961), Wayne Newton (1942), Tony Orlando (1944)

4 Bea Benaderet (1906), Robert Downey, Jr (1965), Arthur Murray (1895), Craig T. Nelson (1946), John Cameron Swayze (1906)

5 Bette Davis (1908), Frank Gorshin (1934), Arthur Haley (1920), Michael Monarty (1942), Gregory Peck (1916), Gale Storm (1922), Spencer Tracy (1900), Booker T. Washington (1856)

6 Walter Huston (1884), Michelle Phillips (1944), Lowell Thomas (1892), Billie D. Williams (1937)

7 Francis Ford Coppola (1939), James Garner (1928), Janis Ian (1957), John Oates (1948), Wayne Rogers (1933), Ravi Shankar (1920), Bert Wheeler (1895), Walter Winchell (1897)

8 Patricia Arquette (1968), Betty Ford (1918), Shecky Greene (1926), Sonja Henie (1912), Julian Lennon (1963), Diane McBain (1941), Edward Mulhare (1923), Mary Pickford (1893)

9 Ward Bond (1904), Hugh Hefner (1925), Michael Learned (1939), Nikolai Lenin (1870), Carl Perkins (1932), Dennis Quaid (1954), Avery Schreiber (1935)

10 John Madden (1936), Harry Morgan (1915), Joseph Pulitzer (1847), Steven Segal (1951), Brian Setzer (1960), Omar Sharif (1932)

11 Stuart Adamson (1958), Joel Grey (1932), Louise Lasser (1939), Cameron Mitchell (1918)

12 David Cassidy (1950), Henry Clay (1777), Shannen Doherty (1971), Herbie Hancock (1940), David Letterman (1947), Ann Miller (1918), Ed O'Neill (1946), Tiny Tim (1922), Jane Withers (1926)

13 Don Adams (1926), Jack Casady (1944), Tony Dow (1945), Al Green (1946), John Hancock (1721), Thomas Jefferson (1743), Rick Schroder (1970), Lyle Waggoner (1935)

14 Ritchie Blackmore (1945), Julie Christie (1940), Buddy Knox (1933), Loretta Lynn (1932), Anthony Perkins (1932), Pete Rose (1942), Rod Steiger (1925)

15 Roy Clark (1922), Leonardo da Vinci (1452), Elizabeth Montgomery (1933), Peter Ustinov (1921)

16 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (1947), Edie Adams (1929), Charlie Chaplin (1889), Henry Mancini (1924), Gerry Rafferty (1947), Bill Spooner (1949), Dusty Springfield (1939), Bobby Vinton (1935)

17 Boomer Esiason (1961), William Holden (1918), Nikita Kruschev (1894), Arthur Lake (1905), Harry Reasoner (1923), Pete Shelley (1955)

18 James Drury (1934), Barbara Hale (1922), Dorothy Lyman (1947), Pigmeat Markham (1904), Hayley Mills (1946), Rick Moranis (1953), Conan O'Brien (1963)

19 Tim Curry (1946), Elinor Donahue (1937), Jayne Mansfield (1932), Dudley Moore (1935), Eliot Ness (1903), Hugh O'Brien (1930), Alan Price (1941), Dick Sargent (1933), Mark Volman (1947)

20 Adolph Hitler (1889), Jessica Lange (1949), Don Mattingly (1961), Ryan O'Neal (1941), Luther Vandross (1951)

21 Tony Danza (1950), Queen Elizabeth II (1926), Charles Grodin (1925), Patti Lupone (1949), Elaine May (1932), Iggy Pop (1947), Anthony Quinn (1915), Robert Smith (1959)

22 Eddie Albert (1915), Joseph Bottoms (1954), Glenn Campbell (1936), Peter Frampton (1950), Jack Nicholson (1937), Charlotte Rae (1926), Aaron Spelling (1928)

23 Valerie Bertinelli (1960), David Birney (1939), Shirley Temple Black (1928), James Buchanan (1791), Sandra Dee (1947), Jan Hooks (1957), Lee Majors (1940), Alan Oppenheimer (1930), Duncan Renaldo (1904), William Shakespeare (1564), Warren Spahn (1921), Herve Villechaize (1943)

24 Jill Ireland (1936), Jack E. Leonard (1911), Shirley MacLaine (1934), Barbra Streisand (1942)

25 Ella Fitzgerald (1918), Meadowlark Lemon (1932), Edward R. Murrow (1908), Al Pacino (1940)

26 Carol Burnett (1936), Mike Kellin (1922), Edgar Kennedy (1890), Sal Maglie (1917), Bobby Rydell (1942)

27 Judy Carne (1919), Sandy Dennis (19370, Sheena Easton (1959), Ulysses S. Grant (1822), Rogers Hornsby (1896), Jack Klugman (1922), Ferdinand Magellan (1480)

28 Ann-Margaret (1941), Lionel Barrymore (1878), Duane Eddy (1938), Jay Leno (1950), James Monroe (1758), Saddam Hussein (1937)

29 Lonnie Donegan (1931), Duke Ellington (1899), William Randolph Hearst (1863), Tommy James (1947), Rod McKuen (1933), Daniel Day-Lewis (1957), Michelle Pfeiffer (1957), Jerry Seinfeld (1954), Carrie Wilson (1968)

30 Eve Arden (1912), Gary Collins (1938), Cloris Leachman (1930), Al Lewis (1923), Willie Nelson (1933), Bobby Vee (1943)

Your Horoscope - April 1999

by Pat Crocker

Capricorn It's a great time for you to clean the air. Any old unfinished business? Any undelivered communication? Do it **now** Get it out. You'll feel a whole lot better

Aquarius: You planned to make some changes this year it's April now... when are you going to make a move? You need to take better care of yourself Start **now**

Pisces You must lighten up on yourself You are your own worst enemy Everyone else thinks you're great. Isn't it time **you** did? Pamper yourself this month

Aries: Do you sometimes wonder why the phone doesn't ring? The phone works both ways, Aries. Take time now to reach out, to make the effort. You'll be happier if you do.

Taurus: This month is the month to tell the truth to everyone, including yourself. Be realistic. Be clear and concise. Open your eyes, your heart, your soul. It'll help matters.

Gemini: Work harder at being loyal Stop trying to get everyone's approval. Be yourself Don't let others intimidate you. Think before you speak. Think before you act

Cancer You've been way too serious lately. Chill Get out of the house more often. Call a friend Go out to a movie and dinner. Have fun.

Leo Watch your finances right now Keep in mind, Visa **will** send you a bill. Spend lightly. There is no need for you to "buy" people's affections Cut back.

Virgo Stop leaning on others for strength. You can do better on your own right now. Don't whine or complain. This is an excellent time for you to move on. New love? New job? You can do it!

Libra Challenges are all around you Stay focused Be positive. Don't take yourself in addictions Keep your mind clear. Good things await you they're right around the corner

Scorpio Don't trust everyone you meet Be aware of your surroundings Keep an eye on things. Don't believe everything you hear This is an excellent time for you to buy a Lotto ticket. Good luck.

Sagittarius You may feel the need right now to punch a wall Vent those feelings in a positive fashion--exercise, dancing, walking, bike ride, a hike Let out the steam You'll feel brand new again.

BEEN THERE.....DONE THAT!!

LEARNING CAN BE AN ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE

CLASSES CONDUCTED BY
SENSITIVE COMMUNITY TRAINERS
FROM VISITACION VALLEY

GOT ISSUES? NO PROBLEM!
WE'LL SOLVE THEM TOGETHER AS YOU
REACH FOR YOUR OWN SELF-SUFFICIENCY.

The Visitacion Valley Jobs, Education and Training Program (across from the site of the recently demolished Geneva Towers) is accepting TANF and GA clients for "Welfare to Work--Job Readiness Training"

So feel comfortable while you're learning to sell yourself into today's labor market.

Contact Ann or Mary
at (415) 239-2866 or 239-2877

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S.F. City Meetings

Aging 1st Wed 9:30a, Airport 1st & 3rd Tu 3p, Arts 1st Mon 3p, Education 2nd/4th Tu 7p, Health 1st/3rd Tu 3p, Housing Auth 2nd/4th Th 4p, Human Rights 1st/3rd Th 4:30p, Library 1st Tu 5:30p, Planning Th 1:30p, Police Wed 5:30p, Port 1st Tu/3rd Wed 4:30p, Public Utilities 2nd/4th Tu 2p, Rec and Park 3rd Th 2p, Social Services 4th Th 9a, Status Women 4th Th 4p, SF Supervisors Mon 2p

Visitacion Valley Task Force Meets April 24 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, 66 Raymond Ave

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At Visitacion Valley Community Center: Mondays: Senior Shopping 11:30 a.m.; **Tuesdays:** Senior Ceramics 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Senior Bingo 12:30 p.m.; **Thursdays:** Sewing Class 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Grapevine Want Ads

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT The Change Maker Leadership After-School and Summer Program is currently seeking energetic young women and men to be part of our unique program at the Visitacion Valley Beacon. We are looking for youth to represent our diverse community as youth advocates and community organizers. This is a great opportunity to gain leadership skills to make positive changes in our community

Job Description: Learn to identify and analyze the problems facing your community and your generation, build a youth-based community organizing campaign focusing on the issue most important to the group, be a voice for the youth of the community (stand up for what you believe in); educate your community and peers; Attend occasional workshops and conferences related to the campaign and youth, participate in group activities and mini-trips within the Bay Area

Applicant Requirements: Applications accepted from students between the ages of 13 and 17 who can: work 6 hours a week; commit to working until August 1999 (with an increase in hours optional in the summer); be supportive of and be able to communicate respectfully with coordinator and other youth leaders; be assertive, motivated, prepared for work and arrive on time Priority will be given to youth who live or go to school in Visitacion Valley and its neighboring districts

Pay and Benefits You will be paid a stipend for your time; participation can be applied to Community Service hours (if applicable).

For more information, call Jasmin Barker at (415) 207-4185 For an application, visit the Visitacion Valley Beacon Center at 450 Raymond Ave., Room 101, San Francisco, CA 94134 or call for other application locations

VOLUNTEERS WANTED for VVCC After School Program to tutor children ages 5-14 at one of our 11 sites in the Visitacion Valley area. Interested persons contact Dee Smith, VVCC After School coordinator: (415) 330-8557

To Advertise in the Grapevine
Display: Full Page: $150; 1/2 Page: $80; 1/4 Page: $45; 1/8 Page: $25, 1/12 Page: $15. *Want-Ads (Private Party):* 20 words for $1. Extra line 50 cents.
Mail ad and payment by last day of prior month to: Visitacion Valley Grapevine, 50 Raymond Ave., San Francisco, CA 94134

Marine Sanctuaries Fair at Fort Mason

See the *DeepWorker 2000*, a one-person submarine capable of diving, untethered, to 2,000 feet in the ocean's depths at the Marine Sanctuaries Fair, Saturday, May 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pier One, Fort Mason

Visitacion Valley Business Directory

Valley business and organization free listings in the 415 area code. Call the Grapevine at (415) 467-9300

AUTOMOTIVE
BAYSHORE GAS & SERVICE (mechanic), 2260 Bayshore Blvd., 467-6130
BAYSHORE SERVICE (mechanic) 2596 Bayshore Blvd., 239-5239
CHARLIE'S GARAGE (Charlie Awegh), 2550 Bayshore Blvd., 239-7450
GARAGE R BY TOP RACING, 130 Leland Ave 333-5938
MR. CLEAN'S CAR WASH (Morton Bradley, detailing) 2501 Bayshore Blvd., 468-8831
TW AUTOMOTIVE (mechanic), 2500 Bayshore Blvd., 585-8281
VALLEY AUTO & TRUCK SUPPLY (Bill Conte), 2520 Bayshore Blvd., 239-5880
BANK
BANK OF AMERICA, 6 Leland Ave., 622-4501
BAKERS
CUNEO BAKERY, 96 Leland Ave 239-6090
LITTLE QUIAPO BAKE SHOP, 169 Leland Ave., 239-2253
BARBERS
DeMASI'S BARBER SHOP, 35 Leland Ave
THE SHOP (JB), 178 Leland Ave., 239-6709
BEAUTICIANS
ANGEL COIFFURES, 5 Leland Ave., 239-9891
MAY MAY BEAUTY SALON, 60 Leland Ave., 337-9381
McCALL'S FOR HAIR, 3585 San Bruno Ave., 467-7319
MIZ RENA'S SALON, 19 Blanken Ave., 467-3399
NAILS BY JENNY (manicurist), 50 Leland Ave., 333-6800
A NEW START HAIR STUDIO (Joyce Hollins), 224 Leland Ave., 584-3077
TAMMIE'S HAIR DESIGN 3564 San Bruno Ave., 330-9635
BOARDING HOUSE
ABLE'S CASA, 850 Rutland St., 333-4664, fax 333-4693
CHURCHES
CHURCH OF THE VISITACION, 655 Sunnydale Ave., 239-5950
KOREAN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 333 Tunnel Ave., 468-1213
RIDGE VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 590 Leland Ave., 239-5457
ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 240 Leland Ave., 586-6381
VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH, 305 Raymond Ave., 467-6055
VISITACION CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH, 8 Oesmond St., 333-4503
CLOTHING
SPONA (designer fashions, Delores Logan) 9 Leland Ave., 239-9631
DENTIST
VISITACION VALLEY DENTAL OFFICE (Albert Kuan, DDS), 37 Leland Ave., 239-5500
DEVELOPER
TUNTEX U.S.A., 150 Executive Park Blvd., 468-6676
DISTRIBUTOR
PACIFIC FISH & POULTRY, 2414 San Bruno Ave., 468-2355
ELECTRICAL
TATE ELECTRIC (Joel Tate), 467-4657
FLORISTS
CUPIO FLORIST, 36 Leland Ave., 585-7766
IL FIORE FLOWERS, 2466 San Bruno Ave. 468-0145
GROCERS
A.T.& B. MARKET, 2400 Bayshore Blvd., 586-4851
E-Z STOP MARKET, 2203 Geneva Ave., 585-9240
FIVE MILE MARKET, 3574 San Bruno Ave., 467-7300
K.C. MARKET, 400 Wilde St., 467-3024
LITTLE VILLAGE MARKET, 1450 Sunnydale Ave., 586-1815
M & M SHORTSTOP, 2145 Geneva Ave., 585-0878
PICCOLO PETE (deli), 2155 Bayshore Blvd. 468-6800
SAM'S DELI & LIQUOR, 25 Leland Ave., 239-7183
SARI-SARI FOOD STORE, 58 Leland Ave., 239-7183
7-11 (Manny DeLeon), 2200 Bayshore Blvd., 468-8646
SMITTY'S MARKET, 2610 Bayshore Blvd., 239-5506
TAUTUA MO OE (Samoan grocery, gifts, fabric), 15 Leland Ave., 585-0509
TEOOY'S MARKET, 298 Teddy Ave
VALLEY SUPER MARKET, 65 Leland Ave 239-7520
HERBS
KWOK HONG CHINESE HERBS, 57 Leland Ave., 585-8751
SAN ON HERBS, 33-A Leland Ave 333-7469
LAUNDRY/CLEANERS
BAY WASH, 44 Leland Ave
CITY WASH INTERNATIONAL, 83 Leland Ave., 333-9467
COIN WASH & DRY LAUNDRY, 186 Leland Ave
FORTY-NINER CLEANERS (David Chan), 51 Leland Ave., 239-6418
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Business Networking Workshop for Valley

by Gerry L. Galvan

Local merchants and residents involved in operating or financing a small business but lacking experience, capital or both can receive professional advice by attending a free business networking workshop from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Apr. 22 at the Bank of America on Leland Avenue.

In cooperation with Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, a City-based business consulting agency the workshop at Bank of America with provide solid information on real sources of financing for a small business Renaissance, established during the early 1980s, has conducted business workshops in the City where at least 25 eager entrepreneurs have attended each session to listen and learn fresh ideas on how to start and manage a small business. Steve Harrover, who spelled out basics of the Center in the absence of Manager Rose Tony, referred to flyers which had earlier been distributed in the neighborhood.

Topics of discussion will include *What are some resources for saving and budget plans? Why is my credit history so important? What should I know about money management? What resources are available to me? Why should I have a business plan?* and *What are some sources of money for my business?*

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New Documentary On City in the 1920s

KRON-TV will premiere *San Francisco in the '20s*, its fourth of 12 regional historical documentaries on Wednesday, Apr. 14 at 8 p.m. This on hour presentation will repeat Sunday, April 18, 25, May 2 and 9 at 8 p.m. on BayTV, Cable 35

Program to Target High Risk Youth

Junior Achievement, Inc. and the National Association of Urban Bankers, Inc. began piloting a new program Mar. 12 to reach elementary school students in high risk urban areas of 13 major cities in the U.S. and Canada. Named *Invest in Our Youth*, the program will address issues of economic literacy.

Junior Achievement's *Personal Economics* curriculum will be used in the classroom setting. NAUB will provide hundreds of volunteers to serve as educators in the classroom to more than 8,000 children expected to be reached by this educational experience.

Man Killed by Train At Bayshore Station

An unidentified man died Mar. 19 at Caltrain's Bayshore Station on Tunnel Avenue when he stepped in front of a rush hour train just after 5 p.m. not scheduled there for a stop. A suicide note was later found on the platform beside the tracks. Caltrain service was suspended for at least an hour.

No City Funds Being Used On Octavia Boulevard Project

Supervisor Leslie Katz responded quickly Mar. 12 to allegations that City funds are being used for the Octavia Boulevard project approved by voters last November in the form of Proposition E.

"The claims being made that voters were mislead regarding use of City funds for Proposition E are clearly a case of sour grapes and they are putting a price tag on public safety," asserted Supervisor Katz. "Voters that supported Proposition E understood that supporting the Boulevard was an issue of public safety. Furthermore, it is a red herring to claim that Caltrans money set aside for the retrofit is now in jeopardy and that the City funds are being used to fund the Boulevard."

There has been no approval of General Fund money for the development of the Boulevard and City funds are not expected to be in jeopardy. A resolution approved by the Transportation Authority Board on Mar. 8 approved a loan of $400,000 of Prop B funds to the Department of Public Works (DPW) in order to jump start the Central Freeway Replacement Project Office. Per language in the approved resolution, these funds cannot be utilized until an MOU is in place assuring that the funds will be fully reimbursed.

"The worst case scenario would be that $400,000 of City funds would be used in a project totaling over $40 million dollars," explained Katz. "If this were the case, how do you put a price tag on public safety and human life?"

The Prop B funds on loan to DPW are to be reimbursed from funds already programmed by Caltrans for the work or from proceeds from the land made available when the freeway off-ramps were torn down years ago in Hayes Valley. These plots have a huge capacity to generate revenues because they are worth millions if sold, or can generate in the range of $20,000 per month in parking revenues per lot.

Caltrans funds that were allocated for the Central Freeway retrofit project will be made available to the Boulevard project. Talks on the transfer of funds are already underway between the City and Caltrans.

A resolution approved by the Transportation Authority was in line with a Board of Supervisors' resolution approved Feb. 17 which called for the establishment of a Central Freeway Project office to oversee implementation of Octavia Boulevard.

Some S.F. Residents Can Now Recycle Used Motor Oil at Curb

Monday, March 22 marked a new day for oil recycling. It was the start date of a new pilot program allowing selected residents to recycle used motor oil and oil filters at their curb.

This one year pilot is being offered to residents living in Visitacion Valley, as well as the Mission, Potrero Hill, Bayview/Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, Portola, Excelsior and Crocker Amazon. The pilot is sponsored by the City and County of San Francisco through a grant from the California Integrated Waste management Board. If successful, the program may be expanded to other neighborhoods.

This new program now enables residents who do their own car repairs to recycle their used motor oil and oil filters in a free and easy manner. Curbside Inc. will pick up the used oil and oil filters on residents' regular recycling day.

"Since it is against the law to dispose of used oil on the streets, down the drain or in the garbage, many residents have stored oil from previous oil changes," said Paul Horcher, director of Solid Waste Management Program. "This gives residents in these neighborhoods the chance to clear out that used oil and recycle it. It really is beneficial to both residents and the environment."

In order to avoid leaks and spills, Curbside Inc. asks residents to follow these simple guidelines when setting out used oil and filters for recycling:

*Pour used motor oil into a secure plastic container that has a screw top. Use tape to secure the lid if necessary. Don't use glass containers.

*Never mix motor oil with cooking oil, brake or transmission fluids. To find out how to dispose of other hazardous wastes properly, call the Hazardous Waste Hotline at 554-4333.

*No more than five gallons of used oil will be accepted per pick up.

*Drain oil filters into a pan overnight. Then place the drained filter into a sealed, leak-proof plastic bag.

*Set your containers out next to other recyclables on the curb on regular recycling pick-up day. Do not place in blue recycling bin. Pick-up will be at separate time.

"One gallon of motor oil poured down a drain can pollute up to a million gallons of water in our creeks, the Bay or Ocean," said Horcher. "So, it's important to recycle used motor oil and filters the right way. Fortunately, this program allows residents to do just that."

For more information about this pilot program, call 1-800-449-7587.

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